

# **CORRECTED FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 164 - SB 219**

March 29, 2007

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Broadens the Class E felony offense of unlawful possession of a weapon to include all firearms.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

On February 8, 2007, we issued a fiscal note which indicated *an increase in state expenditures of \$125,300/Incarceration\**. Based on the additional information provided to us, the estimated fiscal impact of this bill is:

#### **(CORRECTED)**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$26,400 / Incarceration\***

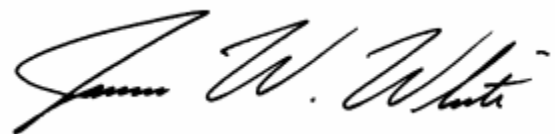
#### Assumptions:

- In FY06, there were 74 admissions to the Department of Correction (DOC) for the Class E felony of possession of a handgun. DOC estimates a five percent (4) increase in convictions when all firearms are included.
- Four additional persons will be convicted of a Class E felony of possession of a weapon and will serve 0.3 years. The cost per inmate at 0.3 years is \$6,592.33 (\$60.16 x 109.58 days). The total additional cost for four offenders is \$26,369.32 (\$6,592.33 x 4).
- No significant incarceration cost increase will occur due to population growth in this period.

\*Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-210, requires that: *For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated from recurring revenues shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years.*

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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